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Web Announcement 1619

Limitations for Case Management Code T1016

Effective on claims with dates of service on or after March 1, 2017, the service limitation for Healthcare Common Procedural Coding System (HCPCS) code T1016 (Case management, each 15 minutes) billed by provider types 14 (Behavioral Health Outpatient Treatment) and 26 (Psychologist) is 10 hours for the first calendar month (40 units), and five hours for the following three consecutive calendar months (20 units per month). The limit is based on per recipient, per calendar month for any provider with a PT 14 or 26. The four months must be consecutive. These service limitations are for two target groups: Non-Severely Emotionally Disturbed (SED) for children and adolescents and the Non-Seriously Mentally Ill (SMI) for adults.

Providers must bill using the U1 modifier to determine the first starting month, U2 for the second month, U3 for the third month and U4 for the fourth month. If the claim is outside the four consecutive months, do not bill with modifiers U1 to U4.

Prior authorization demonstrating medical necessity is required if the limitation is exceeded.

The Billing Guides for PT 14 and PT 26 will be updated as needed with the above information.